

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-5, 7-12, 14-30 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1, 7, 11, 14 and 23 are amended and claims 6 and 13 are cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer and claim 30 is added. Reconsideration in view of the above amendments or the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Applicant sincerely acknowledges the Office Actions indication that claims 6-9, 14-16 and 18-22 define patentable subject matter. However, for at least the reasons set forth below Applicant respectfully submits all pending claims are in condition for allowance.

A) The Office Action rejects claim 23 under 35 U.S.C §101 for lacking patentable utility. Applicant respectfully submits the above amendments obviate the grounds for the rejection. Withdrawal of the rejection of 23 under §101 is respectfully requested.

B) The Office Action rejects claim 11 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) over U.S. Patent No. 6,874,327 to Wahler et al. (hereafter Wahler). The Office Action further rejects claims 23-29 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) over U.S. Patent No. 5,249,741 to Bistline et al. Further, the Office Action rejects claims 1-5 and 10 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over U.S. Patent No. 6,601,168 to Stancil et al. (hereafter Stancil) and U.S. Patent No.

6,188,189 to Blake. Finally, the Office Action rejects claims 12-13 and 17 under §103(a) over Wahler and Official Notice. Since the references, individually or in combination, would not result in at least features recited in the pending claims, the rejections are respectfully traversed.

With respect to claim 1, Applicant respectfully submits that allowable subject matter from claim 6 is incorporated into claim 1. Applicant respectfully submits that independent claim 11 is allowable for at least the reasons similar to claim 1.

Further, claim 23 recites an article including a machine-readable storage medium containing instructions for operating a computer system, the instructions, when executed, causing the computer system to generate a driving pattern for driving the device that approximates the selected second resolution drawing pattern using a combination of the selected at least two first resolution driving patterns at a predetermined time ratio and combinations thereof. Applicant respectfully submits that the applied references, individually or in combination, would not result in at least these recited features.

Thus, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1, 11, 23 define patentable subject matter. Claims 2-5, 10, 12-13, 17 and 24-29 depend from claims 1, 11 and 23 respectively, and therefore also define patentable subject matter for at least that

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reason as well as their additionally recited features. Claims 6 and 13 are cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Withdrawal of the rejection of claims 11 and 23-29 under §102 and claims 1-5, 10, 12-13 and 17 under §103 as respectfully requested.

C) Claim 30 is newly added by this Amendment and believed to be in condition for allowance.

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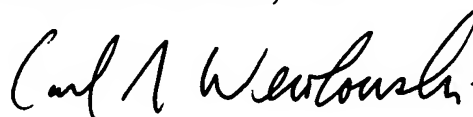
### CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited.

If the Examiner believes that any additional changes would place the application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney, Carl R. Wesolowski at the telephone number listed below.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this, concurrent and future replies, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 16-0607 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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